

# PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
**Fung, et al.**

Examiner: TATE, Christopher Robin

Application No.: 10/783,619

Art Unit: 1655

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Title: ACTIVE INGREDIENTS  
PREPARATION AND SINGLE  
COMPOUND PURIFICATION FROM  
TRADITIONAL CHINESE HERBAL  
MEDICINE FRUCTUS TRICHOSANTHIS  
AND USES THEREOF

### RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the Office Communication mailed November 29, 2006, please consider the remarks below.

As clearly stated in Applicant's last response of October 17, 2006 ("Nonetheless, should the Examiner require restriction, the applicants hereby provisionally elect with traverse the composition claims, i.e. claims 60-69," the fourth paragraph on page 5), Applicant fails to understand why the response was not fully responsive for not making an election between the composition claims and the method claims.

Once again, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the composition claims (i.e., claims 60-69) with traverse in the above referenced application, and reserve the right to further pursue any non-elected subject matter in due course.

As this response is submitted within the one month shortened statutory period, it is believed that no fees and charges are required at this time in connection with the application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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